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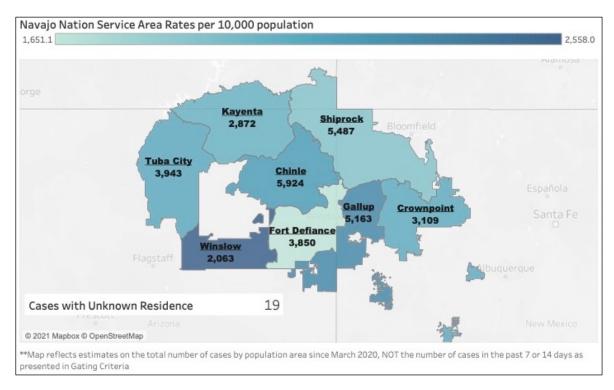
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55 new cases, 30,633 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Thursday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 55 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,400. The report indicates that 30,633 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 310,657 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 32,430, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 5,924

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,109
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,850

• Gallup Service Unit: 5,163

Kayenta Service Unit: 2,872
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,487
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,943
Winslow Service Unit: 2,063

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Thursday, the state of Arizona reported 3,621 new cases, Utah reported 1,491 new cases, and New Mexico reported 993 new cases. The Navajo Department of Health advises the public to report COVID-19 exposures through their website at: https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19 to help compile information and mitigation efforts.

"The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced that the goal is begin administering COVID-19 booster shots in the fall for individuals who previously received the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, which is subject to authorization by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and recommendation by the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation are currently administering booster shots to individuals with compromised immune systems. In order to see a consistent reduction in new COVID-19 cases, we need more of our Navajo Nation residents to get fully vaccinated as soon as possible. Masks work and the vaccines are highly effective in pushing back on COVID-19 and the Delta variant. Please continue to take precautions and minimize travel and in-person social and family gatherings," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our health care workers and those working hard at the Navajo Health Command Operations Center are doing their best to mitigate and keep people safe, but everyone has to do their part as well. Personal responsibility is key to reducing the spread of COVID-19. Please listen to our health care professionals and take precautions each and every day. Please be safe and keep praying," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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